

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Before this amendment, claims 1, 2, 4-6, and 8-21 were present for examination. Claims 1, 2, 4, 5 and 16-21 stand allowed. Claims 6 and 8-15 are canceled by this paper without prejudice to future prosecution, and no claims are amended or added. No new matter is added.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application as amended.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 6 and 8-15 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being allegedly directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 6 and 8-15 are canceled, rendering the rejection moot.

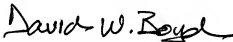
All of the remaining claims, 1, 2, 4, 5, and 16-21, stand allowed.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

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